

February 1, 1978

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Dear Mr. Sizemore:

In your letter of May 13, 1977 to Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary of the Commission, you requested to be kept informed of any changes in the Commission's policy concerning camera coverage of proceedings before our Atomic Safety and Licensing Boards and Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Boards.

The Commission has completed a review of its policy and has decided that, on a trial basis, it will permit camera coverage of these proceedings under certain conditions. I am hopeful that this trial period will demonstrate that camera coverage can be carried out without unacceptable distractions to the boards and the participants.

Copies of the Commission's Statement of Policy and of our public announcement on this matter are enclosed.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Fouchard, Director
Office of Public Affairs

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